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1. In mid-February 1952 there were at least 20,000 troops at Nant'ou (113-56, 22-31), including a small number of unarmed Cantonese troops.<sup>1</sup> Most of the troops garrisoned at Nant'ou spoke Mandarin and other dialects.<sup>2</sup>
2. Troops garrisoned at Nant'ou reported that 200,000 (sic) more troops were to arrive in Paoan for demobilization. One soldier told the villagers that peace is coming and the troops will be demobilized to cultivate the rice fields.<sup>3</sup>
3. Chinese Communist troops at Paoan (113-56, 22-32) included 600 men from the main column of the Canton public security unit under the command of LI Ching-kuang (李景光) which has its command post at Shench'uan (113-56, 22-31).<sup>4</sup>
4. In mid-February, 10 T-34 tanks arrived in Canton from Hankow to be used to form an armored unit.<sup>5</sup> More tanks were expected to arrive in Canton soon thereafter, some of which would be sent to Shench'uan.<sup>6</sup>

1. [ ] Comment. Earlier estimates of troop arrivals by various contacts in the area north of Hong Kong [ ] were exaggerated as a result of the confusion created by sudden night arrivals. The Hong Kong population has remained comparatively calm, because the Chinese Communist military build-up along the border is practically unknown among the civilian population (sic).

2. [ ] ment. Presumably North China dialects is intended, [ ]

3. [ ] Comment. It is considered possibly true that such rumors are being circulated among and by the troops.

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4. [ ] Comment. Because Paoan and Nant'ou are so close, possibly the troops reported in paragraphs 1 and 3 are identical.

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5. [ ] Comment. [ ] 10 tanks arrived in Canton on 8 February.

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6. [ ] Comment. [ ] on 22 January, three divisions arrived in Shench'uan.

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